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We are fully prepared to offer to our numerous friends and customers the most com plete stock of

DRY GOODS

ever offered before in Alexan-Our stock has been entirely

replenished and is all fresh and now, bought at the lowest net cash bottom prices, and will be sold at the smallest profit.

Having done an exceedingly satisfactory business, we wish to close the year with as small a stock as possible, and hence have concluded from this day to run off our entire stock at ASTONISHINGLY LOW

PRICES.

All our goods are marked in plain solling figures, and we would respectfully ca'l the attention of all lovers of a good and genuine article at a cheap price to give us a call and jexamine our immense stock

I. EICHBERG. (Succ'r. to Slaymaker Co.)



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We have opened our stock of GOODS FOR THE FALL SEASON, consisting in part of—Ladies', Gents' and Children's Merino Underwear and Hosiery.

Dress Trimmings, in Silk and Worsted Fringes, Galloons, Buttons, &c.
Toilet Articles—Hair, Tooth and Nail Brushes, Neck Puff, Side and High Combs, Soaps and

Perfumery.
Ladies' Collars, Cuffs, Ruchings, Rufflings,
Ties, Lace Scarfs, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs and Kid Gloves.
Wool Shetland

Worsteds, Germantown Wool, Shetland Wool and Floss, Saxony and German Knitting Yarns, in all colors, and Embroidery Canvases.

HOOP SKIRTS & BUSTLES.

All styles on hand and made to order at short

We have also a large stock of Hair Braids, Curls, Puffs, &c., to which we invite your attention.

FERGUSON & BRO.,

eity. Call and see for yourselves at C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King st.
Agent for SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.

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Ladies' & Gents' Furn'g. Goods.

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Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Scarfs, Collars and Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, &c.

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Kid Gloves, Collars and Cuffs, Hosiery, Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Underwear, Scarfs, Ties and

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No. 109 King street.

Bows, &c. NOTION DEPARTMENT.

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NOTICE.

I. EICHBERG'S

SPECIAL ADVERTISE-MENT.

GREATEST AND MOST

ATTRACTIVE SALE OF THE SEASON.

Large and splendid variety of

Cloaks and Shawls,

DRESS GOODS,

HOLIDAY GOODS,

HANDKERCHIEFS,

GLOVES,

HOUSEFURNISHING

TABLE AND PIANO COVERS,

MEN'S AND

BOY'S WEAR, CARPETS.

OIL CLOTHS,

RUGS. MATS

CRUMB

CLOTHS, And a full line and general &c., &c. stock of

DRY GOODS

DOMESTICS

BOTTOM PRICES.



WE FIND ITITOO NU merous to mention every article we keep on hand, but sim ply and politely request you to call and examine our stock and prices.

Our cellar is stacked with

Domestic Goods,

such as Canton Flannels, Bleached and Unbleached Cottons, all Wool Plain and Twilled Red and White Flan-

BLANKETS. in great variety, from a Cradle Blanket up to a 13 Blanket. Ladies', Gents' and Misses'

and Sundries on first floor. A general assortment of Dress Goods,

Underwear, Corsets, Notions

Trimmings, Linens, Cloths, Cassimeres, White Goods, Tarlatans, Crape, Crape Vells, Mourning Goods, &c., on 2nd

A full and complete line of Carpets, Oil Cloths, Rugs, Hassocks, Crumb Cloths, Lace Curtains, Stair Linens, Curtain Linens, Carpet Bindings,

I. EICHBERG. (Suce r. to Slaymaker Co.)



DRY GOODS. J. FERGUSON & BROTHER SELLING OUT! SELLING OUT!

HURRY TO

LINDHEIMER'S,

76 KING STREET,

FOR YOUR LAST AND EXCELLENT CHANCE FOR BARGAINS.

I am positively selling out my entire stock of

DRY GOODS WITHOUT REGARD TO COST,

In order to wind up that part of my business. I have just returned from the North with a full line of the following goods: Ladies' and Children's Hosiery from 12tc to 50c a pair; Kid Gloves from 75c to \$1.75 per pair; Handker-chiefs at all prices; Zephyr Worsted, white 10c, colored 14c per oz; Ladies' Embroidered Collars 15c; a large line of Lace Collars for children; Corsets from 50c up; Yarn, Navy Blue, Seal, Brown, and all the plain colors; Merino Vests and Pants of all sizes; Card Board Silver Paper Pictures in great variety; Motto Pocket Books; Steel Purses, new style; Lace and Silk Scarfs; Crepe Lease; all kinds of Ruffling very low; Buttons, Fringes and Black Velvet on the bias; also Velvet Ribbons and everything in my line as low as can be sold in this or any other city. Call and see for yourselves at BLANKETS, FLANNELS, all kinds of CLOTHES, including the best of BEAVER CLOTH, FURS for LADIES and CHILD REN, &c, &c., ALMOST GIVEN AWAY. Hurry up for bargains. S. LINDHEIMER,

86 King street.

RUGS,

AND CRUMB CLOTHS.

IN GREAT VARIETY AND AT LOW PRICES AT

Pretzfelder & Company's

144 KING STREET.

ICE CREAM, &c.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

I wish to notify my friends and the public generally that I have moved from my place of business on King street to No. 16 N. St. Asaph ELOCUTION AND THE FRENCH LANlate of the Virginia and Washington and Lee
Universities, will be happy to receive gentlemen
Universities, will be happy to receive gentlemen
Universities, will be happy to receive gentlemen and supply families at the following low prices

and ladies, youths and adults, who may desire complete instruction in HIGH ART READING and CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH. Terms very moderate. Address 47 Fairfax st., Alexandria Ice Cream......\$1 20 per gallon 5 00 five gallons Custard...... 1 00 per gallon MORE NEW GOODS FOR DECEMBER

despite Fames, Boarbons, Cream work, Apples, flavors, fine and common confections, Apples, Oranges, Lemons, &c. Also a Milk Depot where fresh milk can be had at all times. Tuesday, December 18, 1877.

Tuesday, December 18, 1877.

Opening fashionable Cloaks to day; choice Dress Goods at low prices; beautiful Calicoes, new styles; Blankets and Flannels, a choice stock; Ladies' Neckties, very pretty.

Our sales to country merchants larger than ever before, and our stock full and complete and well adapted to their wants Prices as low as Baltimore quotations. J. S. FORCE, No. 16 n. St. Asaph st.

MEDICINAL.

BUTLERS BALSAMIC MIXTURE, FOR FORTY YEARS KNOWN AS THE IN-Price one dollar per bottle.

NEW SUGARS received to-day, Dec. 12, by dec 14 R. W. AVERY, 226 King st. A NELEGANT BRASS CAGE for \$1.00 at McLEAN & UHLER'S.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

First in the field to offer to my patrons

HOLIDAY GOODSI

For a holiday present nothing is more useful than a nice Overcoat or a good Suit of Clothes.

OVERCOATS FROM \$3 TO \$25 (Chinchilla, Beaver and Cloth, of all styles and colors.)

SUITS TO FIT A THREE YEAR OLD CHILD TO A MAN WEIGHING 300 POUNDS.

CALL AND BEE THEM.

My stock of

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

TRURNKS, VALISES,

HATS, CAPS, &c.

is complete.

MY SIX DOLLAR SUIT

Cannot be excelled this side of Philadelphia.

TO MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS-All I ask is a visit to my Ciothing Emporium,

and if I do not satisfy you in what I have said

I ask you not to buy. I hope my former career of business transaction will be sufficient for the

HENRY STRAUSS,

NO. 86 KING STREET

Opposite Market alley.

SHOES AND

PREPARE YOURSELVES,

FOR THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING

Now is your time, for

HENRY STRAUSS

is selling at his

BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM,

66 KING STREET

Boots and Shoes at prices that will dazzle your

BOOTS FROM \$1.50 UP TO \$6.

A Baltimore Home Made Boot \$3.87.

Ladies' Shoes from 75c up to \$2.50.

Ladies' Foxed Button \$1.62. This Boot can-

not be equalled in this city. .

Misses' and Children's Shoes at the lowest prices.

For a Christmas present to your wife, husband, mother, father, sister, brother, or any one, call on HENRY STRAUSS, 66 King street, NEW CROP NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES, and get a pair of his

BEST HOLIDAY SHORS.

P. S.-Sole agent for the WALKER SADDLE SEAM BOOT. This boot will be guaranteed for its fit and wear. Call and examine them.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS. AN ACCEPTABLE CERISTMAS GIFT for every body, would be a bottle of JANNEY'S EXQUISITE ORANGE BLOSSOM COLOGNE.

Put up in bottles of three sizes at 25 and 50 cents, and \$1.0 respectively

JANNEY & CO., No. 145 King and dec 21

N. W. cor. King and Royal sts. CONFECTIONERY, FRUITS, TOYS, &c.

M. BOSSART,

No. 21 south Fairfax street No. 21 south Fairfax street,

Has on hand a full supply of CHRISTMAS GOODS of all kinds, such as Candies, French and Plain, Nuts of all kinds, Raisins, Havana Organes, Lemons, Malaga Grapes, California Pears, Albemarle Pippins, &c. Also CAKES, Plain and Fancy, which he is constantly making, and may be had fresh every day.

Rockets, Roman Candles and Fire Crackers, from the smallest to the largest size, and every description of Fire Works at low prices.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS .- Perhaps the best and most lasting present that can be made to a mother, wife or sister is a first class SEWING MACHINE. This we have in the "DOMESTIC" SEWING MACHINE.

We also have a few SECOND HAND MACHINES, in good order; also Toilet Bottles, Soaps, Hair Brushes, Chamois Skins, Tooth

Powders, &c., all at lowest possible prices. dec 19 E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO. AN ACROSTICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

By BRENGLE.

CONCERNING CHRISTMAS CONFEC-Christmas comes but once a year;

Habit makes a pleasant time; Run riot every kind of cheer, Into every land and clime.

Silvan scenes delight no more, Turning cold the northwinds blew.

May bird lives on milder shore, And all the folks to BRENGLE'S go.

SANTA CLAUS waits there, you know. Read the second letter of the first line, the third letter of the second line, the fourth letter

of the third line, and so on, and you will find the place where all good children go, and where Kriss Kringle awaits them with the largest stock of CAKES ever made in this market. Also French and Domestic Candies, Cakes,

Pies, Fruits, Nuts, Confectionery, Oysters, Ice smoky color and pungent odor. Cream, Water Ices and all the delicacies of the 129 King street.

LOW PRICES

TO SUIT HARD TIMES

FOR HOLIDAY GOODS AT

RAMSAY'S.

RAISINS OF ALL KINDS,

PRUNES,

CITRON,

CURRANTS,

ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING,

FLORIDA ORANGES,

LEMONS,

APPLE AND PEACH BUTTER,

PRESERVED and

CHINESE PRESERVES in glass,

BOSTON BAKED BEANS,

LOBSTERS.

FINE FRENCH PRESERVES,

(in handsome bottles-just

the thing for presents,)

CANNED GOODS CHEAP,

GOOD BAKING MOLASSES CHEAP.

HANDSOME JARS OF PICKLES,

AT VERY LOW PRICES.

GEORGE R. HILL & CO.,

35 NORTH LEE STREET,

ALEXANDRIA, VA

MALAGA GRAPES,

MINCE MEAT,

CURRANT JELLY,

QUINCE JELLY

PINEAPPLE CHEESE,

ENGLISH PICKLES.

SARDINES,

FINE CIGARS,

dec 12-tJi

EDAM AND SAPSAGO do.,

OLIVES,

PRESERV. OITRON,

For a moment ali was terror, confusion and dismay. The shricks and yells of superstitious horror that went up from the women and child-INUTS OF ALL KINDS, ren baffle description. The body was hastily snatched from the fire, and burriedly carried out through the door to the funeral pyre about forty yards in the rear of the house. No second attempt was made to take it through the hole in the roof, as they thought the old woman's

spirit was angry and did not desire it. All the coals and ashes upon which it had fallen were hastily scraped up with pieces of bark by the young squaws, carried out and thrown into the sea, for fear they might bring down unheard of evils upon the heads of the

living inmates of the house. The pyre was built of cedar logs. The foundation consisted of two logs about five feet long and ten inches in diameter, laid parallel to each other, and about two feet apart. Upon these was placed transversely a layer of shorter logs of a less diameter, with interstices between them through which the flames could penetrate from below. This base was surmounted by a small superstructure of cedar cribwork, large enough to contain the corpse and its mortuary

habiliments. Into this the remains were placed and covered up with small sticks of wood. Near the windward side of this pile were laid two boards along which were ranged the singing warriors. CONSERVED GINGER, The only office of these boards appeared to be that of furnishing a hard, resonant surface upon which the staves they used to indicate the

measure of their chant could fall. Close by the crib was a pile of spruce and ce dar finely split, in order that it might burn more rapidly. The mourning relatives were seated on the ground with their backs turned toward the pyre, and about thirty feet distant. At last the torch was applied to the resinous tinder, the warriors began anew their melancholy dirge, the mourners, whose loud lamentations had before sunk to a low, convulsive sobbing, now broke forth afresh into the most beart rending wails. Several hours were occupied in the entire consumption of the pile, during which chanting never ceased; but, after a time, the outward grief of the bereaved was

confined to weeping and subdued sobs.
When the fire had died out the remaining ashes and cinders were carefully collected and placed in their final resting place. The cinerary urn consisted of a small house built after the model of their huts, being about three feet long by two feet wide and two high, and placed ten or twelve feet above the ground on four posts.

PROPOSALS.

TO CONTRACTORS—Sealed proposals, addressed to the undersigned, will be received at the Auditor's office, until MONDAY, Dec'r. 31st, 1877, at noon, FOR TAKING UP THE OLD FLOORING OF THE WHARF leased to the American Coal Company. to the American Coal Company, piling the old lumber on the wharf and drawing the spikes; ard FOR LAYING DOWN THE NEW PLOORING on the wharf, 162 feet in length, TRAS, COFFEES and SUGARS, and 571 in width; also the price per foot for takirg out the old capping and replacing it where riquired; also for driving and fastening twelve piles. The work to be done in the best manner, suiject to the approval of the committee. The 21 FAM CHACKER & CAKE BAKERS right to reject any or all bids is reserved.
(Signed) J. T. ARMSTRONG.

Chairman Com. Public Pron

(Signed) dec 24-td

ABOLISHMENT OF THE GEORGETOWN POST OFFICE.—An order was issed on Monday by the Postmaster General discontinuing the Georgetown postoffice with the close of the present year, and making the delivery hereafter from the Washington office. To afford mail facilities to the people of Georgetown, the office there will be continued practically as now, but under the name of a branch office or "station" of the Washington office. The object of the consolidation it is said, is to give to Georgetown the capital of Alaska Territory, he had the opporfree delivery system, which is strongly desired tunity of witnessing the interesting ceremony of cremation, as performed by the Sitka Indians. by a portion of the people, but which cannot be The subject for this solemn rite was an old | done as long as the Georgetown office stands,

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC'R. 26.

remation as Practiced by the In-

dians of Sitka.

progeny.

During the writer's residence at Sitka, the

The hut was a substantial one, built of logs,

so carefully hewo that one could scarcely believe

that their smooth surface was not due to the

plane of a carpenter. The roof was formed of

long, thin slabs split from spruce or cedar trees.

and had but a slight pitch. Immediately over

the center of the house a large rectangular hole

was cut in the roof to give egress to the smoke

arising from the fire within. The only entrance

hands and knees, and by a corresponding de-

At the end opposite the door was erected a

gether with the usual stock of blankets and

peltries. Here we found the corpse completely

incased in blankets, which, in turn, were en-

veloped by a large woven sea-grass mat, and

tied up in such a manner as to bring the knees

nearly to the chio. The body thus enshrouded

was placed in a sitting posture in one corner of

the room. The house was about half filled with

of the usual mourning customs among these

Indians. After he had completed this tonso-rial duty, during which he had been frequently

interrupted by their sudden outbursts of grief

headed by old An-a-hoots, the war chief of the

tribe, filed slowly through the small portal.

procession of about twenty Indian warriors,

Each of these carried in his hand a long,

slender staff made of hard wood, and carved all

over with fantastic figures; while bright colored

Hudson Bay blankets fell in not ungraceful

folds from their broad, square shoulders. These

one side of the house, facing the center, and

immediately began a lugubrious death chant,

keeping time by raising their staves about three

icches from the floor and letting them fall to-gether. This doleful air was much more mo-

notonous than musical. All this time the relatives of the deceased were rending the air with

their lamentations. Every Indian present had

his face thickly smeared with a fresh coat of seal oil and black paint, thus roudering himself

odors that arose from this motley throng did

not at all remind one's olfactories of the orange

At the close of the death song two stalwart

young braves mounted to the roof and lowered

bark ropes through the aperture; these latter

were made fast to the matting which enveloped

the corpse. An a hoots made a sign to the

asit arrived at the roof one of the ropes broke.

precipitating the lifeless bundle upon the fire

groves of Florida.

rection.

On one side of the room a large buck was

Indians, men, women and children.

and reached by half a dozen steps.

the middle, where the fire was built.

squaw, who was the mother of a numerous because the population of the place does not

come up to the number required by law. The following is the official order :-"Discontinue the postoffice in Georgetown. D C., to take effect on the 31st day of December, 1877. Establish a branch office of the Washington, D. C., postoffice in the premises now occupied by the Georgetown office, to be known as Georgetown, and to be under the control of the postmaster of this city and within the delivery of his office, and extend the free delivery service to that locality, to take effect on the

was through a circular hole about two feet in first day of January next. diameter, placed about six feet above the ground "Continue the mail messenger contract serv. ice and all the facilities now afforded by the Through this hole we had to crawl on our Georgetown postoffice and allow the postmaster scent on the inside we reached the floor, which was also made of slabs, laid upon the ground, except a place about eight feet square cut in of Washington to carry this order into effect, two clerks, one at \$1,200 a year, and the other at \$720 a year; also three letter carriers at \$675, ess 5 per cent., a year.

D. M. KEY, Postmaster General."

kind of closet, arranged with shelves, upon which were stored the winter supplies of smoked salmon, seal oil and dried berries, to-THE PROPOSED COAL COMBINATION.—At the recent meetings in New York of the presidents of the leading coal companies, ex-Judgo Packer, President of the Lehigh Valley R. R., refused to take any part in the proceedings, assigning as a reason that as a common carrier he could not enter into any combination for the limitation of tonnage over his road. The Lehigh Valley Coal Company, of which Mr. Packer is also the President, has been represented at the meetings by Robert H. Sayre, the General Superintendent and Engineer of the railroad company. Mr. Sayre and Mr. Packer expressly stated that the former was present at the meetings only as the representative of the coal comings only as the representative of the coal combusily engaged with a pair of seissors in cutting pany and some of the individual operators. It has been decided, however, that at the meeting off the long black hair of all the near relatives, both male and female. This seems to se one next Thursday Mr. Sayre will not be present, thus avoiding the possibility of the assumption that the Lehigh Valley Railroad is taking any part in the combination. The Lehigh Valley Coal Company and some of the individual operation. ators will be represented by Elisha P. Wilbur.
Secretary and Treasurer of the Franklin Coal
Co. There are forty-four individual operators
along the line of the Lehigh Valley R. R., whose mines produce about 75 per cent of the total coal tonnage of the road.

THE SUN'S DISTANCE.-The average distance of the earth from the sun is ninety five staves bore evidence of their great age by the millions of miles. In January, however, this high polish they possessed, as well as their distance is lessened, and in July it is increased, the difference between the two extremes being The warriors ranged themselves in line along about 3,000,000 miles. In other words, the earth is farther from the sun in July by 3,000,-000 miles than in January. In summer the solar rays fall upon the earth in a nearly perpendicular direction, and his powerful heat is then constantly accumulated by long days and short nights. In winter, on the contrary, the solar rays fall so obliquely on the earth as to produce but little warmth, and the slight effect they produce during the short days of that sea. son is almost entirely negatived by the long nights which succeed. The sun is also nearer the earth at noon than in the morning or evening; but the difference in the distance is so slight as to be scarcely appreciable.

FIRES.-At Pottsville, Pa., yesterday, Wiliam Buchley's mill and contents, consisting of lumber and woodwork, were burned. Loss \$25,000; insurance \$12,000. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

young men, and they began raising the body toward the opening in the roof, as they always White & Sansom's cutlery works, at Frankremove their dead from their houses in that ford, near Philadelphia, were damaged by fire yesterday to the extent of \$15,000. The firm have an insurance of \$2,000. manner, instead of through the door, on account of a superstition they have that the spirit of the defunct made its exit that way. But just West & Co., shoe dealers, on Chestnut street

near Fox's Theatre, Philadelphia, were burned out yesterday, sustaining a loss of nearly \$18,000. They are fully insured. below, scattering the burning coals in every di-The Winthrop Church and Town House at

Randolph, Massachusetts, were destroyed by fire on Monday night. The Town House concontained the town library and offices. It was valued at \$35,000.

HOSTETTER'S ALMANAC. - The edition for 1878 of the sterling Medical Annual, known as Hostetter's Almanac, is now ready, and may be obtained, free of cost, of druggists and general country dealers in all parts of the United States and British America, and indeed in every civilized portion of the Western Hemisphere. It combines, with the soundest practical advice for the preservation and restoration of health, a large amount of interesting and amusing light reading, and the calendar, astronomical calculareading, and the calendar, astronomical calculations, chronological items, &c, are prepared with great care, and will be found entirely accurate. The issue of Hostetter's Almanac for 1878, in the English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish languages, will, in all probability, be the largest edition of a medical work ever published in any country. The proprietors, Messrs. Hostetter & Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., on receipt of a two cent stamp will torward a copy by mail to any person who cannot procure one in his neighborhood

All former students of St. John's Academy who desire to participate in the annual reunion of the Society of Old Students on Thursday, January 3d, are requested to hand in their names and assessments at once to M. B. Harlow, at the City Treasurer's office.

dec 15-td By order of the Committee.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

By Harrison & O'Neal, Auctioneers.

VILL BE SOLD, at private sale, the three
STORY BRICK DWELING, No 63 Cameron street, between Royal and Pitt. For particulars apply to Harrison & O'Neal. dec 19-ts

FOR RENT—The DWELLING on south-side of King street, near the corner of Washington, and lately occupied by Mrs. Grif-lith, will be let to a good tenant at a very reduced rent. GREEN & WISE. dec 18-2awtf

FOR RENT. SEVERAL DWELLINGS AND

STOREHOUSES. Apply to dec 11-1m FOR RENT.—The STORE ROOM on the northeast corner of King and Union streets

-the best location in the city for a grocery and liquor store. Apply at this office. ap 18-tf FISH, OYSTERS, &c.

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PRODUCE, FISH AND OYSTERS.
Nos. 18 N. Fairfax st. and 43 King street,
Alexandria, Virginia.

Having completed our arrangements for the Produce, Oyster and Fish business, we are now prepared to furnish the trade with anything in our line at prices to suit.

We will also receive fresh SALT WATER FISH three times a week, which will be offered for sale at stall No. 3, City Market, by Mr. J. G. GRIMES. Orders will receive our special attention.

1 MPORTED COLD OREAM just received by dec 21 E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.